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**VIA FACSIMILE AND UPS OVERNIGHT**

Mr. Vernon Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
Section of Environmental Analysis  
1925 "K" St., N.W., Room 504  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

**RE: Docket No. AB-33(Sub-No.218X), Union Pacific Railroad Company -- Abandonment Exemption - In Kootenai County, Idaho from M.P. 2.25 to M.P. 7.50 (Coeur'd Alene Industrial Lead) - Request to Extend Negotiation Period**

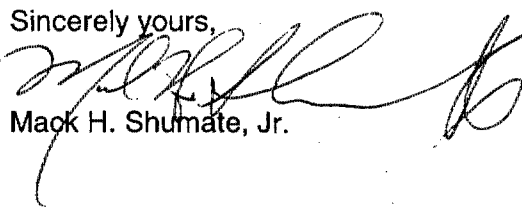
Dear Mr. Williams:

The Union Pacific Railroad Company ("Union Pacific") has received a request from the North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation ("NICTF") to extend the negotiation period by 112 days for Interim Trail Use pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 1247(d) and 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29 regarding that portion of the Union Pacific's right-of-way known as the Coeur'd Alene Industrial Lead from Milepost 2.25 at Feeley Spur to Milepost 7.50 near Gibbs, a distance of approximately 5.25 miles in Kootenai County, Idaho.

Union Pacific is willing to continue negotiating with NICTF concerning the acquisition of the subject property for an Interim Trail Use/Rail Banking Agreement and supports the NICTF's request to continue negotiations for an additional period of 112 days from September 10, 2006. A copy of the NICTF's request is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and hereby made a part hereof.

Ten (10) additional copies of this letter and exhibit are enclosed for the Board's use and distribution.

Sincerely yours,

  
Mack H. Shumate, Jr.

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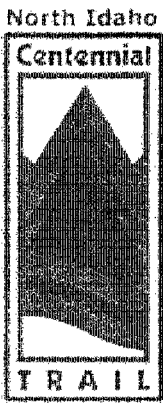
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**RE: Docket No. AB-33(Sub-No.218X)**  
**Request to Extend the Period to Negotiate a Trail Use Agreement**

Greetings:

I represent the North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation (NICTF). On March 11, 2005 the STB issued a Decision and Notice of Interim Trail Use or Abandonment granting the NICTF until September 10, 2005 to negotiate an interim trail use/rail banking agreement with UP. Subsequent to that time an additional extension of time was granted until September 10, 2006.

Representatives of NICTF and UP met in Coeur d'Alene recently and a realistic and substantial offer to acquire the subject corridor has been made by NICTF. The offer is being reviewed by UP but at this time no response has been received. Although no interim trail use/rail banking agreement has been reached NICTF believes that an agreement can be reached if NICTF and UP have additional time to negotiate.

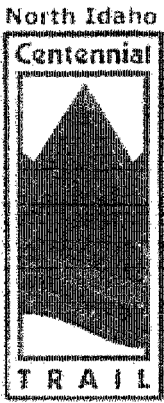
By this letter NICTF respectfully requests that the STB grant an extension of the period to negotiate a trail use/rail banking agreement with UP until **January 1, 2007**. My check in the amount of \$350.00 is enclosed in payment of the extension fee, although I have also included NICTF's request for a waiver or reduction of fees.

"I, Michael C. Gridley, Attorney at Law, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this pleading. I further certify that I have served all parties of record in this proceeding with this document by United States mail." Executed on August 25, 2006.

Michael C. Gridley  
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cc: STB service list parties





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**RE: Docket No. AB-33(Sub-No.218X)  
Request for Waiver or Reduction of Fees**

Greetings:

I represent the North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation (NICTF). By this letter NICTF respectfully requests that the STB grant a waiver or reduction of the filing fee for its request for an extension of the period to negotiate a trail use/rail banking agreement with Union Pacific. NICTF is a 501(c)(3) non-profit foundation that is supported primarily by donations from citizens in the Coeur d'Alene, Idaho area. The foundation attempts to apply all money raised by it towards the maintenance, development and promotion of the Centennial Trail and other public trails in North Idaho for the benefit of all citizens. NICTF respectfully suggests that the money spent for the filing fee should instead be used on the trail and that a waiver or reduction is in the best interest of the public.

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